The meeting of the 62nd Student Senate was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by Senate President Reggie Cuyler.

Senator Baumann led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silent Reflection:

MEMBERS PRESENT (First Roll Call): Senators Assidon, Baumann, Bender, Bonderud, Brome, Brusseau, Chance, A. Charlemagne, Clary, Costello, Donoho, Dougherty, Drake, Escalante, El Shemi, Fistel, Garrett, Ghaneie, Gonzalez, Greene, Harper, Howard, C. Johnson, Keith, Kozlowski, Kushner, Lara, Liniger, McKinnis, Mechoullam, Miles (PCC), Mroczkowski, Schlesinger, Slider, Smythe, Swift, Tanenbaum, Tunis, Vandercook, Walters, Waltz.

MEMBERS ABSENT: (First Roll Call): Senators Allard, Cassell, E. Charlemagne, Evan, Gilzean, Gold, Gonzmart, Lias, Lopez, N. Myers, Triay.

MEMBERS TARDY/LATE (First Roll Call): Senators Angulo (8:07), Daniels (8:11), Ermitus (7:40), Hutchinson (7:39), Jackson (7:41), Peart (8:22), Simmons (8:12), Wood (7:56).

Corrections: None.

Student Comments: Chris Widener of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineering told the Senate that they are working on a project that will help them with their fundamental electrical skills and he asked Senate to support PAC allocations.

Special Introductions and Announcements: Maria Gabriela Pancheo, President of Community Colleges in the State of Florida, told the Senate that they have been walking since January 1, leaving from Miami, and they got to Tallahassee today. She said they are headed to Washington, D.C., in support of Trail of Dreams.

Messages from the Executive Branch: Lauren Robertson, Student Body Vice President, announced that they will meet with the Mayor of Tallahassee on Tuesday, February 16, at 6 p.m. at City Hall. She also told the Senate that Heritage Day, which will start at 2 p.m., will include the T.K. Wetherell “changing of the guard” and the unveiling of a statue of him. Sean Bevil, Chief of Staff, announced that Coach Carter is coming to FSU on February 25, at 8 p.m., at the Student Life Center. He mentioned that SGA is looking into having a partnership with Aramark where they will
have two snack stations at the bus stops on campus. He also mentioned that they are finally getting ready to propose to the City about closing Raven Street and making it a Night Nole stop. Richard Benson, Student Body Treasurer, told the Senate that he supports Bill 14. He said it has been a fun year and he is glad that Senate is keeping his project. Kelly-Ann Fasano, Deputy Student Body Treasurer, said that Bill 14 is an amazing idea to give PAC back to the Senate. She explained all the requests that came before PAC.

Messages from Agency and Bureau Directors, and SGA Organization Officers and Employees: Amar Ali, ICS Director, asked the Senate for support in bringing Tom Woods to speak at FSU on March 3, at 7 p.m., in HCB 102, where he will talk about the history of economics in America. James Maloney, IRHC Director, told the Senate that they will be attending a conference this weekend and he will officially take office on Monday, February 15. He told the Senate that they are doing “penny wars” for Haiti and they will volunteer during Spring Break. For more information please e-mail him at jpm09e@fsu.edu. Pavielle Bookman, Black Student Union President, invited the Senate to the Hip Hop and Gender panel on February 18, at 7 p.m. in HCB 101. Asian American Student Union Director Vu Thai, thanked everyone who came to the Lunar Banquet, including all the student political groups. He said their month starts March 15 and they are assisting HLSU with their week on February 22.

Messages from the Congress of Graduate Students: David Grimes, COGS Speaker, told the Senate that they have a presentation grant program where grad students can get a travel stipend that improves the value of their degree, and there are 50 students are already on the waiting list. He said they passed a resolution for Senator Woods but they do not have the funds to financially support him. Grimes said that they are exploring ways to support service in the community and they want a COGS representative at every Senate meeting.

Messages from the Senior Class Council: Sara Moallem, Senior Class Council Vice President, told the Senate that the guy from the movie, “Catch me if you Can”, will speak at FSU on March 2; and on April 14 Soledad O’Brien will speak in the Union Ballrooms.

Messages from the Judicial Branch: None.

Messages from the Union Board:

Messages from Campus Recreation:

Report of the Student Body Auditor: As of February 3, 2010,
Senate Projects is $113,182.00. Remaining balance: RTAC is $31,161; PAC is $41,993.

Committee Reports:

Student Affairs - Did not meet.

Budget - The committee passed RTAC and PAC consent resolutions.

Finance - Did not meet. The committee will meet at 8 p.m. on Thursday. There was a motion to go into Committee of the Whole to debate Bills 14 and 15 and Resolution 25. Bill 14 was amended and postponed for one week. Bill 15 was tabled for one week. The Finance Committee passed Resolution 25 without objection. Senator Tunis made a motion to move out of committee, the motion passed. Senator Garrett made a motion to accept the decision of the Committee as the decision of Senate.

Judiciary - As reported in the Calendar.

Internal Affairs - Did not meet.

Rules and Calendar - Chairman Chance said the committee deliberated absences and she said the Committee interviewed and passed David Maciejewski for Graduate Studies Seat 16, Charles Rivenbark II for Graduate Studies Seat 18 and Colvin Georges Jr. for Undergraduate Studies Seat 23.

College Delegates - Senator Walters reported that he is working with a computer science organization in the Department of Computer Science and helping them get organized and financially certified.

Senate Confirmations: David Maciejewski for Graduate Studies Seat 16, Charles Rivenbark II for Graduate Studies Seat 18 and Colvin Georges Jr. for Undergraduate Studies Seat 23.

Consent Resolutions:

Resolution 16 - Sponsored by Senators Donoho and Jackson. PAC allocations for University Orchestra, Persian Student Association, Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Order of Omega, Seminole Christian Life. 

**PASSED WITH ONE OBJECTION.**

Resolution 17 - Sponsored by Senators Tunis and Peart. RTAC allocations for Horn Studio, Choral Student Affairs,
National Association for Business Economics, Undergraduate Art History Association, Women in Business. 

PASSED WITH ONE OBJECTION.

Bills First Reading:

Bill 15 - Sponsored Senator El Shemi. An allocation of $513.00 from Senate Projects to SGA Administrative Expense. Purpose: to pay the five cent increase for the delivery of the New York Times. TABLED IN FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Bill 16 - Sponsored by Senator Joseph. An allocation of $2,400 from Senate Projects to First Responder Unit. Purpose: to purchase four (4) radios. TABLED IN FINANCE.

Bill 18 - Sponsored by Senator Fistel. A revision of $5,000 within the Black Student Union from Contractual Services to Food. Purpose: to allow the BSU to function properly and efficiently for the remainder of the fiscal year. REFERRED TO FINANCE.

Bill 19 - Sponsored by Senators Tunis and Wood. An allocation of $25,000 from Senate Projects to RTAC Funding Board. Purpose: to provide funding for RTAC to meet projected needs. REFERRED TO FINANCE.

Bills Second Reading:

Bill 14 - Sponsored by Senator Tunis. A revision to the Student Body Statutes Chapter 807.4. Purpose: to remove the Student Body Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer from RTAC and PAC Funding Boards. PASSED AS AMENDED.

Bill 17 - Sponsored by Senator Hutchinson. An allocation of $3,500 from Senate Projects to Center for Leadership/Civic Education. Purpose: to pay for keynote speaker for ACC Conference and speak at public film festival event. PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Constitutional Amendments: None.

Resolutions:

Resolution 24 - Sponsored by Senator Tunis. Subject: Selecting former Senate President Bobby Seifter as
a member of the Senate Hall of Fame.

POSTPONED ONE WEEK.

New Business:

Unfinished Business: None.

Closing Announcements: Senator Jackson said the Asian American Student Union (AASU) banquet was amazing. Senator Drake said AASU banquet was great, also. Senator Assidon said that he is trying to start an undergraduate science RSO. Senator Wood announced that the FireFlight concert is on Monday at 8:30 p.m. in the Club Downunder. Senator Brusseau said that Dance Marathon is this weekend. Senator Daniels thanked the Senate for supporting Bill 17, for the ACC Leadership Conference. Senator Simmons announced that the next Senate Retreat will be on Saturday, February 20 at Jenny’s Lunch Box. Richard Benson, Deputy Treasurer, told the Senate to see him and Fasano about RTAC and PAC chairs. He also announced that his fraternity will have a mechanical bull in the Union in one week and he will attempt to break his record on the bull. Senate President Cuyler congratulated all the newly elected SGA officers. He told the Senate that they can accomplish any of their dreams.

Final Roll Call: There was a motion to make First Roll Call the Final Roll Call, the motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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